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SUBJECT: REQUEST BY GIBBS AND HILL, INC. FOR ASSISTANCE

1. SUMMARY: REPRESENTATIVES OF GIBBS AND HILL, INC. HAVE REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN DETERMINING WHETHER GOI HAS RECEIVED AND IS INTERESTED IN GIBBS AND HILL PROPOSAL TO UNDERTAKE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLN ELECTRIC POWER PROJECT. END SUMMARY.

2. REPRESENTATIVES OF GIBBS AND HILL, INC. CALLED AT IMS OCTOBER 14 TO DISCUSS THE FIRM'S PROPOSAL FOR A TRAINING PROGRAM IN OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLN'S MUARA KARANG ELECTRIC POWER PROJECT NEAR JAKARTA. ACCORDING VICE PRESIDENT WAYNE E. JOHNSON THE PROPOSAL WAS MADE IN A CABLE AND IN A LETTER, WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION, ON JULY 18 TO PLN DIRECTOR ABDUL KADIR. A FOLLOW-UP CABLE WAS SENT ON SEPTEMBER 16 TO PROFESSOR SURYONO, WHO THEY UNDERSTAND SUCCEEDED ABDUL KADIR AS HEAD OF PLN. COPIES OF THE PROPOSALS ARE BEING POUCHED.

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3. GIBBS AND HILL PROPOSAL IS TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR

INDONESIANS TO OPERATE AND MANAGE NOT ONLY THE MUARA KARANG PROJECT BUT THE OTHER POWER PLANTS WHICH THEY UNDERSTAND WILL BE COMPLETED IN THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. IT IS

THEIR UNDERSTANDING THAT NO ARRANGEMENT, FOR SUCH TECHNICAL TRAINING HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE PRESENT PLANS FOR POWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION.

4. GIBBS AND HILL HAVE ASKED IF EMBASSY COULD TRY TO DETERMINE FROM PLN WHETHER THEIR PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND WHETHER GOI IS INTERESTED. GIBBS AND HILL ARE PREPARED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO JAKARTA TO UNDERTAKE FURTHER EXPLANATIONS OF THEIR TRAINING PROGRAM IF PLN SHOWS ANY INTEREST. KISSINGER

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